

Park Avenue Synagogue ק"ק אגודת ישרים

April Bulletin

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From the Rabbi's Desk

The Passover *Haggadah* is a remarkable work on many counts:

- For the way it weaves together strands from biblical sources, the rabbinic period and medieval texts;
- For its deliberate liturgical structure that incorporates so many different rituals (parsley, maror, the four cups of wine, three *matzot*) and so many blessings instead of the standard *Shabbat* and holiday routine of *Kiddush* and *Motzi*;
- For providing us with a didactic program designed to encourage questions and conversation;
- For sensing the need for drama or action or song just when things seem to be getting a bit long-winded.



But perhaps most remarkable of all is the spirit that pervades the *Haggadah*. Step back for a moment and think about the circumstances under which its basic structure and central texts were arranged. The core of the *Haggadah* was formulated during the rabbinic period under Roman domination and persecution, yet the texts primarily reflect celebration, hope and gratitude.

How easy it would have been for Rabban Gamliel to give in to the sense of despair, to subvert the biblical text, to give voice to the sense of identification with our enslaved ancestors and declare: 'In each generation one is required to see him/herself as if s/he had been enslaved in Egypt' (rather than 'as if s/he had been liberated from Egypt'). The only extent to which we, as Jews, do identify with the oppressed is to remember that we were once slaves in a foreign land and therefore we must have compassion on the slave, the stranger, the widow, the orphan, the poor...

And how much more natural it would have been to reference the biblical account of servitude and freedom in the Book of Exodus as our central text at the *seder*, rather than to use the awkward passage from Deuteronomy ('My ancestor was a wandering Aramean...'). Yet that temptation was resisted, too, because the passage from Deuteronomy, for all its brevity, concludes with praise of God and a message of hope.

To be sure, there are passages in the *Haggadah* that do give voice to a sense of victimization, but only two come

SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES April 2004

Friday evening, April 2.....	6:15 pm
Saturday morning, April 3	
<i>Hashkama</i> Service	7:30 am
Sanctuary Service	9:15 am
<i>Havurah</i> Service	9:30 am
<i>Tot Shabbat</i>	11:15 am
Monday, April 5	
<i>Siyum</i> for the First Born	7:15 am
Passover Evening Service	5:45 pm
First <i>Seder</i>	6:30 pm
Led by Cantor Lefkowitz, with Neil Robinson and the Synagogue Choir	
(Reservations required)	
Tuesday, April 6	
Passover Morning Service	9:15 am
Passover Evening Service	7:15 pm
Second <i>Seder</i>	8:30 pm
Led by Rabbi Kenneth Stern with Matthew Cvetic (Reservations required)	
Friday evening, April 9.....	6:15 pm
Saturday morning, April 10	
<i>Hashkama</i> Service	7:30 am
Sanctuary Service	9:15 am
Monday, April 12	
Passover Morning Service	9:15 am
Passover Evening Service	5:45 pm
Tuesday, April 13	
Passover Service with <i>Yizkor</i>	9:15 am
Friday evening <i>Rinah U'Tefilah</i> Service, April 16	6:15 pm
Children's April Birthday Celebration	
<i>Minyan Ma'a lot</i>	7:00 pm
Saturday morning, April 17	
<i>Hashkama</i> Service	7:30 am
Sanctuary Service	9:15 am
<i>B'nai Mitzvah</i> of Harley Dalton & Jeremy Dalton,	
daughter & son of Darcy & Allen Dalton	
<i>Havurah</i> Service	9:30 am
<i>Tot Shabbat</i>	11:15 am
Wednesday, April 21 <i>Yom HaShoah</i> -Holocaust Remembrance Service.....	6:00 pm
Fred Margulies, Speaker	
Friday evening, April 23.....	6:15 pm
Men's Club <i>Shabbat</i> & Dinner (Reservations required)	
Ami Ayalon, Guest speaker	
Saturday morning, April 24	
<i>Hashkama</i> Service	7:30 am
Annual <i>Shabbat</i> Morning Music Service	9:15 am
<i>Bar Mitzvah</i> of Scott Wolitzer,	
son of Joyce & Steven Wolitzer	
Friday evening, April 30.....	6:15 pm
Saturday morning, May 1	
<i>Hashkama</i> Service	7:30 am
Sanctuary Service	9:15 am
<i>Tot Shabbat</i> Service	11:15 am

Rabbi David H. Lincoln, Rabbi Kenneth A. Stern and Rabbi Paulette R. Posner will preach and conduct the services together with Cantor David Lefkowitz and Cantor Nancy Abramson and the Synagogue Choir, with Neil Robinson at the organ.

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P.A.S. "ISRAEL THIS YEAR" TRIP TO ISRAEL

DECEMBER 18-26, 2004

ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS & FACT SHEET

GOALS

The Park Avenue Synagogue Congregational trip to Israel aims to:

- enhance a sense of community among our members and their families
- deepen our individual and communal sense of Jewish identity
- strengthen our ties to the State of Israel and further clarify and establish our roles as active and committed Jews in the Diaspora

HIGHLIGHTS

- super-deluxe, 5-star accommodations
- varying activities for congregants of all ages with daily communal gatherings for meals and other major events
- special track for families with high school and college youth
- special track for those traveling without children
- 2 days of in-depth study and touring in the desert
- 5 days of touring and experiences in Jerusalem and the center of Israel
- 2 nights at the Caesar Premier Hotel, Dead Sea
- 5 nights at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem (choice of accommodations)
- jeep rides up to Jerusalem along the Burma Road
- 1 day in Tel Aviv and environs; Shabbat in Jerusalem
- special dinner and tour at the Israel Museum in Jerusalem
- sites and institutions you've never seen before in Israel
(guaranteed even to those who have been to Israel multiple times!)
- opportunities to perform acts of chesed and community service, to explore issues relating to Israel's security, and to experience Israel's diverse cultural offerings

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PLEASE CONTACT SARAH GRIBETZ AT (212)369-2600 x142 OR BY EMAIL sgribetz@pasyn.org
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND TO OBTAIN A REGISTRATION FORM

**P.A.S. "Israel This Year"
TRIP TO ISRAEL.**

DECEMBER 18-26, 2004



FLIGHT INFORMATION

The Synagogue has arranged for group fares (see below) on an El Al Airlines flight (i) to Israel, leaving N.Y.C. on Saturday night, December 18th (arriving in Israel at 4:30 pm on Sunday, December 19th), and (ii) returning from Israel on Sunday night, December 26th (arriving in N.Y.C. early on Monday, December 27th). If you choose to book your flights with our travel agent, you may take advantage of the group fares, payment plans and cancellation policy. Full payment will be due by September 15, 2004.

You may also inquire about using mileage points, Matmid points, upgrading to business or first class, stopovers, extensions and the details of other fare options (including different payment and cancellation policies).

Additional charges will apply.

Call our travel agent, Claude Hakim at Field Travel, directly at (212) 682-2620, to make these arrangements.

If you choose to make your own travel arrangements with your own travel agent, you must inform Sarah Gribetz of your flight arrangements.

Please note that if you arrive on a non-P.A.S. group flight, you will be required to meet our group at Ben Gurion Airport, with your luggage. The buses will be leaving the Airport no later than 6:00 pm (sharp) on Sunday, December 19th, 2004.

For **college students only** who are joining their families and need to arrive in Israel later than December 19th, there will be special group flight arrangements available.

COSTS

AIR

Park Avenue Synagogue Groups Flights:

ECONOMY CLASS: **\$1,250.00 per ticket** (includes all taxes)

BUSINESS CLASS: **\$3,266 per ticket** (includes all taxes)

Contact our agent, Claude Hakim, directly at (212) 682-2620, to book your flights and make payment arrangements.

LAND

Land cost includes 2 nights deluxe accommodations at Caesar Premier Hotel, Dead Sea, and 5 nights deluxe accommodations at King David Hotel, Jerusalem. It includes professional guides, all admissions, "Israeli" breakfasts, most lunches and dinners (2 dinners "on your own"), all admissions, special services and security. The cost does not include gratuities or personal property/trip cancellation insurance. Your cost will vary based upon the accommodations that you select at the King David Hotel. Land costs (inclusive) are as follows:

DELUXE NEW CITY VIEWS

DOUBLE OCCUPANCY: **\$1,599.00 per person**

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: **\$460.00**

Child up to age 12, sharing room with parents: **\$1,100.00 per child**

DELUXE OLD CITY VIEWS

DOUBLE OCCUPANCY: **\$1,769.00 per person**

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: **\$621.00**

Child up to age 12, sharing room with parents: **\$1,100.00 per child**

From the Rabbi's Desk

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immediately to my mind: one is *V'hi she'amda*, a three-line declaration, sung to a fairly catchy tune and with our wine glasses raised: '...in every generation they arose to annihilate us, but the Holy One saved us from their hands.' The emphasis is not on how we have been persecuted, but on God's promise to deliver us. And the second passage is *Chad gadya*, which none of us thinks of as being a melancholic allegory/Jewish history lesson.

The message is clear: Our tradition, even when circumstances certainly would have warranted it, eschews the glorification of suffering. Suffering is something to be endured; life and living are to be glorified, praised and sanctified.

Chag Samay'ach!!

Kenneth A. Stern,
Rabbi

From the Chairman

It is so wonderful to be a part of a Synagogue that works together to achieve common goals. In keeping with our Israel This Year focus, each of the arms and committees of the Synagogue decided to use the funds collected at a variety of events during the year to support a project in Israel in the name of Park Avenue Synagogue. The project will be dedicated during the congregational trip to Israel this December, and for years to come members who travel to Israel will be able to visit this special spot and take pride in belonging to Park Avenue Synagogue. Soon all of us



will be celebrating Passover and concluding our Seders with the words spoken for hundreds of generations, "Next Year in Jerusalem." This

year my family and many other members of the Park Avenue community will be saying, "This year in Jerusalem." I hope that at your Seder you will consider saying the same. My best wishes for a happy and healthy Passover.

Amy A.B. Bressman,
Chairman

Park Avenue Synagogue Happenings

Rinah U'Tefilah: A Joyous Service of Song and Prayer

Put a song in your heart and a prayer on your lips on **Friday, April 16 at 6:15 pm** at this uplifting service that provides a spiritual bridge between the hectic pace of the week and the serenity of *Shabbat*. The service will be led by the Rabbis and Cantors and special musical guests, and will be followed by a festive *Kiddush*. Call the synagogue office for more information.

Tour The Museum of Jewish Heritage on Yom HaShoah

On *Yom HaShoah*, **Sunday, April 18, at 11:00 am**, all congregants are invited to an interactive tour of the Museum of Jewish Heritage – Living Memorial to the Holocaust, arranged by the Men's Club. The Museum's collection highlights developing Jewish culture in the 20th Century, as well as the Holocaust and Jewish life before and after it. One of the displays contains memorabilia from P.A.S. Rabbi Emeritus Judah Nadich's service in Europe during WWII. Several donors of

Museum artifacts will speak about their experiences and their items on display.

The cost is \$25 per person (\$20 for MC members) to be paid in advance. To R.S.V.P. and for more information, call Amma Walcott in Dennis Karr's office at (212) 372-2276. The Museum is located at the south end of Battery Park City (walk west from the Bowling Green Station of the #4 and #5 subway or drive down the West Side Highway). The Men's Club may have one or two cars going downtown; let Ms. Walcott know if you need transportation.

WEG Commemorates Yom HaShoah

WEG honors the many non-Jewish people who, because of their inner drive for moral decency, risked their own lives during World War II, by showing a moving film, *Sisters in*

Resistance. The screening of this film, which has been shown on public TV, will take place at the Synagogue on **April 19 at 7:30 pm**. The film portrays four women telling the story fifty years later of how, as friends in Paris during the war, they fought debasement by German troops. Note:

WEG is accepting donations to the WEG/Susan Wasserman Memorial Fund to sponsor a *Yahrzeit* plaque in honor of a dear, long-time, supportive member of the Synagogue. For more information, contact Evelyn Gelman at (212) 706-2321 (H); (212) 284-9160 (O), or egelman@rcn.com.

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Yom HaShoah: Commemorating the Holocaust as a Community

by **Menachem Z. Rosensaft**, *President*

On **Wednesday, April 21**, at **6:00 pm**, our congregation will observe *Yom HaShoah*, Holocaust Remembrance Day. We will be privileged to listen to a survivor, Fred Margulies, share with us his memories of November 9, 1938, *Kristallnacht*, when synagogues throughout Germany and Austria were set on fire. All of us have a solemn obligation to participate in this service, and to accord *Yom HaShoah* the same religious importance and reverence we give to *Yizkor* services and to *Tishah be'Av*.

The destruction of Solomon's Temple by the Babylonians in 586 B.C.E. was the first great national tragedy in Jewish history. During the subsequent exile, four fast days commemorating this calamitous event were added to the Jewish calendar: the 10th day of the Hebrew month of *Tevet*, when the siege of Jerusalem began; the 17th of *Tammuz*, when the walls of Jerusalem were breached; the 3rd of *Tishri*, marking the assassination of the governor of Jerusalem; and *Tishah be'Av*, the 9th of *Av*, when the Temple was destroyed.

And yet as early as 518 B.C.E., with the exile over and the Temple being rebuilt, the Prophet Zechariah proclaimed that all four of these fast days "shall become for the House of Judah occasions for joy and gladness, and for cheerful festivals." (Zechariah, 8:19)

Zechariah's admonition went unheeded, all four fast days have remained on the calendar for more than 2,500 years, and the Book of Lamentations continues to be read on *Tishah be'Av*. This is as it should be.

The Holocaust was no less a national Jewish catastrophe than the destruction of the first and second Temples, and *Yom HaShoah* is as religiously meaningful, as divinely inspired as *Tishah be'Av*. Thousands of Jewish communities and thousands upon thousands of synagogues and *shtetlach*, the small Hassidic prayer rooms, were decimated during the Holocaust; hundreds of thousands of Torah scrolls and other sacred Jewish writings were consumed by flames; and millions of Jewish men, women and children were cruelly, brutally annihilated. Entire families perished, their names and memory lost forever.

The murdered victims of the *Shoah* must be mourned by the entire Jewish people, not just by those of us with a direct familial connection to the dead. We must integrate their remembrance into our liturgy, not as an afterthought but with the dignity of a separate space on the Jewish religious calendar with its own unique identity and ritual. The voices and memories of the survivors chronicling the cataclysm must enter our theology just as Jeremiah's and Ezekiel's testimonies became part of our sacred Scripture.

That is why we must join together on April 21 to say *Kaddish* for all the victims of the *Shoah* who have no one to

remember them. Both individually and as a community, we must ensure that their haunting shadows remain for all times a burning scar on our national consciousness.

Holocaust Remembrance: Voice From a Survivor

When Park Avenue Synagogue marks *Yom HaShoah* with a service on **Wednesday, April 21** at **6:00 pm**, Fred Margulies will share his poignant tale of survival with us. Mr. Margulies was born in Berlin in 1927. His family was torn apart after *Kristallnacht* at the end of 1938. He was 11 years old when he was smuggled out of Germany. The sole survivor of his family, Mr. Margulies will help us bear witness to and commemorate this dark moment in our history. All are urged to attend this important service. In addition, at **5:15 pm**, Mr. Margulies will speak to the High School students and their parents at a pre-session in Room 408, after which they will move to the Sanctuary to join the entire congregation for the service and program.

Tour The Jewish Museum With Sisterhood

Join Sisterhood at The Jewish Museum on **Tuesday, April 20** at **1 pm** for a special guided tour of the current exhibit, followed by a snack and socializing in the Museum Cafe.

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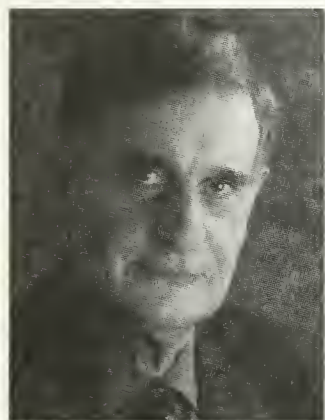


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Reception to Honor Rabbi David H. Lincoln as "Rabbi of the Year"



Join us on
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27 at 8:00 pm,
when our
Senior Rabbi,
David H.
Lincoln, will
be honored by
the New York
Board of Rabbis

and presented with the prestigious
Maria and Joel Finkle Prize as Rabbi of
the Year. A special reception will follow
the ceremony to which all congregants
are invited. Please R.S.V.P. to Liya at
(212) 369-2600, ext. 120.

Young Couples Group Bowling Night Fundraiser

Join us at The Young Couples Group
Annual Bowling Nite Fundraiser at
Chelsea Piers, rescheduled to **April 21**
at **7:30 pm**. Tickets are \$25 pp before
April 16th, \$30 thereafter, light snacks
included. For more information or to
R.S.V.P., contact Suzette Rubinstein at
arubinstein8@nyc.rr.com or Sheri
Bleustein at smbleustein@aol.com.

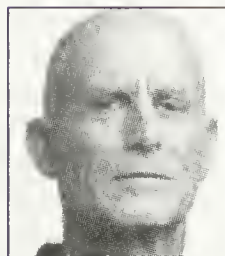
Israeli Peace Advocate Leader To Highlight Men's Club *Shabbat* Service and Dinner



Ami Ayalon, who will speak at a *Shabbat*
Service and Dinner on **Friday, April 23**
at **6:00 pm**. Together with a Palestinian

counterpart, Sari Nusseibeh,
Mr. Ayalon has drafted a joint
statement of principles for
settlement of the Israeli-Pales-
tinian stalemate, the only
peace plan that has attracted
widespread support from both
Israelis and Palestinians. Mr.
Nusseibeh may also appear at the Ser-
vice and Dinner.

Mr. Ayalon, a highly-decorated former
Commander in Chief of the Israeli Navy,
served as Head of the Shin Bet, Israel's
Security Agency, from 1996 through
2000. He holds degrees from Bar Ilan
and Harvard Universities. Mr. Nusseibeh,
currently the President of Al Quds
University, the distinguished Arab
university in Jerusalem, previously served
as the Minister for Jerusalem Affairs in
the Palestinian Authority. He earned his
Ph.D. from Harvard University and
comes from one of the most respected
Palestinian families in the Middle East.



Ami Ayalon

This special Men's Club
Shabbat is part of a series of
events focusing on the
Synagogue's "Israel This Year"
theme. It follows the Special
Forum held on February 1,
where over 120 people heard
General Doron Almog, former
head of Israel's South Defense Forces;
Jonathan Lincoln, Senior Research
Associate at the Council on Foreign
Relations; and our own President,
Menachem Rosensaft, who played a
significant role in the early stages of the
peace process. The next event will be a
Shabbat Morning Service on May 8,
where our guest speaker will be
Ambassador Alon Pinkas, Consul
General of the Israeli Government.

Be sure to make your reservations
to hear Mr. Ayalon (and possibly Mr.
Nusseibeh) on April 23, and mark your
calendar to hear Ambassador Pinkas
on May 8.

Music From Israel at the *Shabbat* Morning Music Service

Music is a cultural and
national priority among
Israelis. It is common to
find groups of people
gathered for an evening
of *shira b'tzibur* (public
sing-along), and even

pop songs make frequent reference to
Biblical and liturgical texts. Art music
incorporates musical themes from the
Sephardic, Western and Middle Eastern
heritages that make up modern Israel.

As part of Park Avenue Synagogue's
year-long exploration of Israel in our
lives, we will explore Israeli music in
our *Shabbat* morning Music Service on
April 24 at 9:15 am. This special music
service is meant to reach all the groups
of our community. Together with
Cantors David Lefkowitz and Nancy
Abramson and our professional choir
directed by Neil Robinson, we will hear



music by Israeli composers,
and some Israeli folk tunes
adapted for congregational
singing of our *Shabbat* texts.
One of the highlights of the
service will be the
participation of the

Congregational Singers, who
began rehearsing in March. Please call
Cantor Lefkowitz or Cantor Abramson if
you would like to join the
Congregational Singers.

The *Shabbat* Morning Music Service
was conceived in 1977 to bring classical
gems of our heritage to the
congregation; some classics will be
featured this year along with Israeli
compositions. The Music Service is
dedicated to the memories of Sarah,
Samuel and George M. Shapiro, and is
sponsored by Mrs. Rita Shapiro and her
daughter, Karen Spector.

Synagogue Family

April B'nai Mitzvah

Jeremy Dalton April 17, 2004



Jeremy Dalton has been part of the Park Avenue Synagogue since he was seven years old. He attends the P.A.S. Congregational

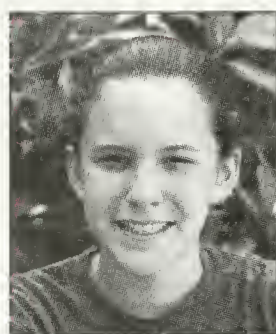
School and plans to attend the High School. Jeremy is a seventh-grade student at the Riverdale Country School, where he is a member of the Junior Varsity Fencing Team. His favorite subjects are science and math, and he enjoys playing the violin in the Riverdale Chamber Ensemble.

Jeremy has attended Trails' End Camp in Beach Lake, Pennsylvania for the past five years where he enjoys tennis, archery and the arts. Jeremy has performed in many shows, including *Once Upon a Mattress*, *Peter Pan* and *Aladdin*. Jeremy enjoys traveling to Florida and spending summer weekends in the Hamptons.

Jeremy has a passion for singing and acting and attends the HB studios in New York City. He has performed with the American Opera Repertory Theater in a recurring role in *La Boheme*, and has also performed the lead in a children's opera for the Young People's Chorus of New York, where he studied various forms of music.

Jeremy thanks the Cantors, Rabbis, teachers and Diane for helping him prepare for his *Bar Mitzvah*. Without their guidance and support this day would not be possible.

Harley Dalton April 17, 2004



Harley Dalton has been an active participant in the Park Avenue Synagogue, where she enjoys the community service projects and giving

back to the community. She plans on attending the High School. A seventh-grade honor student at The Birch Wathen Lenox School, Harley enjoys history and English. She loves all sports and plays on her school basketball, soccer and volleyball teams. Harley is also on a New York City swim team, where her best stroke is freestyle, and she has been a participant in AYSO soccer for the past six years.

Harley has attended Trails' End Camp in Beach Lake, Pennsylvania for the past five summers. She excels in all sports, especially golf, and she is a member of the camp golf team. She also enjoys spending her vacations in Florida, and in the summers she relaxes at her house in the Hamptons.

Harley has a great sense of humor and loves to be involved with small children whether babysitting or taking them to art workshops at P.A.S.

Harley would like to thank all the clergy and teachers at P.A.S. and her parents for helping her prepare for her *Bat Mitzvah*, which she will be sharing with her twin brother, Jeremy.

Scott Wolitzer April 24, 2004

Scott Wolitzer has attended the Congregational School at Park Avenue Synagogue since the *Gimel* Grade. Scott is currently a seventh-grade student at Riverdale Country School. His favorite subjects are history and Spanish.

Scott is an avid sports fan and

thoroughly enjoys playing soccer and baseball, and skiing. Equally adept at offense and defense, Scott is a long-time member of the Manhattan Menace travel soccer team. Family ski trips have become an annual highlight for this experienced skier.

Scott spends his summers at Camp



Modin in Maine, where he loves spending time with his friends playing more sports, including swimming, tennis and wakeboarding.

He also enjoys traveling with his family, starting with London at three months old. He has also visited numerous parts of the United States, and has also been a part of a family mission to Israel.

Scott would like to thank the clergy, his tutors, and his family for helping him to reach this special milestone of Jewish life.

With Pride and Congratulations

Park Avenue Synagogue extends a hearty mazel tov to:

- Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Bessinger, on the birth of their granddaughter, Abby Lynn Bessinger.
- Dr. Robert M. Dolman & Mrs. Heidi Slimm, on the birth of their daughter, Saidie Hannah Slimm Dolman.
- Joan and Howard Goldberg, on the marriage of their son, Andrew, to Lauren May, and on the birth of their grandson, Jordan Max Goldberg, son of Debbie & Jonathan Goldberg.
- Lauren and Alan Klein, on the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Julia Klein.
- Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Nearenberg, on the engagement of their son, Mark, to Dr. Jamie Ullman.
- Dr. David & Mrs. Linda Simpson, on the birth of their son, Carl Gabriel Simpson.
- Eugene Zinbarg, on being honored by Metropolitan New York United Synagogue.

Jewish Life and Learning

Adult Study and Learning

Please call Sarah Gribetz (212) 369-2600 x142 to register or reserve. The cost for classes is \$25 / members; \$40 / non-members, unless otherwise noted.



Yisrael B'Shirah (Israel in Song)

Brian Gelfand, instructor.

**Mondays, April 19, May 3 & 10,
7:00 pm-7:45 pm**

Take a musical journey through the history of the modern State of Israel. Learn new songs and sing together (no knowledge of Hebrew necessary).

This Month in Israel's History...

To help you learn more about Israel's rich history and feel even more connected to Eretz Yisrael, each month during Park Avenue Synagogue's Israel Year, we will highlight important events in Israel's past. We hope you will discuss them with family and friends, and read more about those that particularly interest you.

- April 11, 1909** Tel-Aviv, the first Hebrew city, is founded on the outskirts of the predominantly Arab city of Yaffo.
- April 12, 1956** Ben Gurion writes an appeal to French P.M. Guy Mollet asking for assistance in purchasing arms after the United States failed to help.
- April 10, 1973** The State of Israel officially recognizes Ethiopian Jewry as Jews.
- April 11, 1974** Golda Meir Resigns as Prime Minister.
- April 17, 1976** Israel is banned from the 1978 Asian Games.
- April 7, 1977** *Maccabi* Tel Aviv wins the European basketball championship for the first time.
- April 3, 1979** Prime Minister Begin returns from a historical political visit to Cairo.
- April 25, 1982** The town of Yamit is bulldozed as the last Israeli presence withdraws from Sinai.
- April 20, 1993** Prime Minister Rabin meets with March of the Living participants after an emotional visit to the site of the Auschwitz death camp.

Family Education/Kehillah

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**Sunday, April 25,
10:00 am-12:00 noon**

Free of charge.

For young families with toddlers, preschoolers, and K-1st graders.

Tot Shabbat Services

These services are a wonderful opportunity for toddlers and pre-school aged children to celebrate *Shabbat* with their parents, grandparents and friends, and are very popular among our young families. Join us in prayer, song, story and dance on **Saturdays, April 3 and 17, 11:15 am-12 noon.**

Synagogue Family

Continued

Welcome to P.A.S.

Park Avenue Synagogue warmly welcomes these new members to our congregational family:

Mr. Leonard & Mrs. Carolyn Golub, Mr. Hayim & Mrs. Danielle Grant, Mr. Maurice & Mrs. Faith Lefkort, Mr. Phil Lefkowitz & Dr. Tracy Lippes, Mr. Ronen & Mrs. Jennifer Stauber.

Condolences

Park Avenue Synagogue extends heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved of our congregation and to their families:

Wendy Charest, on the passing of her brother, Hayden Schulman.

Robert M. Furman, on the passing of his wife, Carol Furman.

Dr. Herman Rosen, on the passing of his mother, Ruth Rosen.

Meryl Wiener, on the passing of her mother, Celia Wiener.

The P.A.S. Bereavement Group

Those who have lost loved ones or friends will find support and understanding at Park Avenue Synagogue's Bereavement Group. The group meets monthly and is facilitated by Dr. Sheila Erlich, a licensed psychologist. Upcoming meetings will take place on Thursday **April 15** and **May 13, 4:00-5:00 p.m.** in the Family Room. For additional information, please call Rabbi Kenneth Stern at (212) 369-2600.

News From Our Schools

Congregational School

by Renee Ghert-Zand, Director of Education

Achai VeRe'ai: Israeli Youth Educators Visit Our School

For two weeks earlier this semester, we were fortunate to host a team of wonderful youth educators from Israel. Through the *Achai VeRe'ai* (which in Hebrew means, "My Brothers and Friends") program of the Jewish Agency for Israel, four Israelis in their 20's spent time in our classrooms with our students in *Gimel* and up. The visit of these *shlichim* (emissaries), as we called them, purposely coincided with the Synagogue's *Shabbaton* and the days leading up to it. These young people worked not only with our Congregational School students, but also with our High School students and adult learners.

There is no question that our students learned much from the educational sessions and activities the *shlichim* conducted with them. With some groups, the *shlichim* taught about the holiday of *Tu"B'sh'vat*. With others, they explored the meaning of Jewish symbols and identity. With the older groups, the *shlichim* discussed various facets of the current situation in Israel. But most important for everyone was the *mifgash* (encounter) aspect of the *shlichim*'s visit. It was our students' experience of meeting and interacting with these young Israelis, who came especially to be with them, that had the greatest impact. It was extremely meaningful for the children to ask the *shlichim* all their questions, and have them answered. The open dialogue that took place and the relationships that developed were really what the program was all about.

We will be sure to keep in touch with Hillie, Yuval, Pe'era and Ariel. We may

even be able to meet with them in December on the congregational trip to Israel. And finally, we hope to be able to make the *Achai VeRe'ai* program a regular part of our school's program. When they left us to fly home to Israel, we said "*l'hitraot*" (see you soon), not "*shalom*" (goodbye).

April Dates To Remember

- April 1—*Alef & MATAN rishon model Pesach seder*.
- April 3—*Shabbat B'yachad*, 10:00 am-12:00 pm.
- April 5-13—*Pesach break* (No School).
- April 14—*Hay and Zayin YomHashoah* program.
- April 15—*Vav YomHashoah* program.
- April 17—*Nitzanim* required for *Gan, Alef, Bet & MATAN rishon* families, A-G.
- April 20—*Lomdim B'yachad* program for *Gan* parents, 4:00 pm-5:30 pm
- April 21—*Lomdim B'yachad* program for *Bet* parents, 5:00 pm-6:00 pm
- April 22—*Lomdim B'yachad* program for *Alef & MATAN rishon* parents, 4:15 pm-5:45 pm.
- April 24—*Nitzanim* required for *Gan, Alef, Bet & MATAN rishon* families, H-Q.
- April 26—*Yom Ha'atzmaut rikudiyah* dance festival.
- April 27—*Yom Ha'atzmaut rikudiyah* dance festival.
- April 28—*Bar/Bat Mitzvah* meeting for *Hay* parents, 7:00 pm



Achai VeRe'ai
Israeli youth
educator Ariel
directs *Daled*
grade students
in *Tu"B'sh'vat*
skit.

Apply now for 2004-2005 School Year

The P.A.S. Congregational School is now accepting applications for the 2004-2005 school year. Applications will be considered in the order in which they are received. For more information or to request an application, please call (212) 369-2600, ext. 131, or visit www.pasyn.org.

2006-2007 Bar and Bat Mitzvah Date Reminder

Dates will be assigned in the spring of 2004. All Day School families should contact Rabbi Stern (369-2600, ext. 123) to ensure that their children will be included in the roster; students enrolled in the Congregational School will be included automatically.

April Birthday Celebration

Bring *Shabbat* into your children's lives by celebrating their birthdays at P.A.S. All children with April birthdays will be called up to the *bimah* and honored at our April Birthday Celebration Service, **Friday evening, April 16 at 6:15 p.m.** Come as a family and celebrate. Call Rabbi Kenneth Stern's office for more information.

Celebrating a Simcha?

A birthday, anniversary, engagement, wedding, new grandchild, etc? Sponsor a breakfast *Kiddush* any weekday after our Morning *Minyan*! Call Lynn Schneider in the Synagogue office for more information (212) 369-2600.

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Rabbi Judah Nadich High School

by Lisa Samick, Director

Dealing With Anti-Semitism

The fervor over Mel Gibson's movie release swirling through our newspapers, and the continued anti-Semitic, anti-Israel propaganda distributed on campuses across the country, has added much to the educational discussions and programs taking place on the 4th floor at the Rabbi Judah Nadich High School. Since the beginning of the year, our Junior/Senior seminar has been one of our strongest programs. Each week, we have a core group of committed, intelligent, driven students who meet with us to tackle issues of history and current events. This program runs on a two-year cycle dealing with the issues of anti-Semitism and anti-Zionism by helping to create a cadre of informed, educated young Jews. A program like this cannot succeed as advocacy training. We do not present our students with issues that need to be "defended," but rather we work through a curriculum that helps them to learn about the history of and find personal connections to Park Avenue Synagogue, the Jewish People, and Israel.

The addition to our program of Dr. Daniel Gordis, who met with 40 of our High School students for a Friday night *Shabbaton* "afterparty" discussion about Israel and his life there, was a revitalizing experience for our students, as it was for the many adult learners who were with him that weekend. Our students asked poignant, educated questions about things that they hear about Israel. They spoke about the comparisons of Israel to apartheid South Africa, about the issues surrounding the army in Israeli culture and about the hope of peace with the Palestinian people. It was an incredible evening and our students are still referring to it.

Kol Nidre Appeal 2003/5764

On behalf of the Officers and Board of Trustees, I would like to thank all those who have given to our annual *Kol Nidre* Appeal between February 8, 2004 and March 8, 2004. Your generous donations help Park Avenue Synagogue maintain the level of our dynamic programming and community social action efforts, such as the Food Pantry.

The *Kol Nidre* Appeal is the only Synagogue-wide fundraising campaign that we conduct each year, and the funds that are raised help the annual Synagogue operating budget in countless ways. We are under new financial pressure because:

- Membership dues account for only 38% of the operating budget;
- Our security and insurance costs have more than tripled in the last two years;
- Maintaining our inspiring sanctuary and landmark facility, parts of which date back to 1927, requires constant attention and improvement.

More than ever we need your generous contributions. Again, our heartfelt thanks to those who have given. If you have not yet had the opportunity to make a *Kol Nidre* pledge, we look forward to hearing from you.

B'shalom,

Marty Halbfinger
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Each of our grades has embarked on study of anti-Semitism in an age-appropriate, timely way. It is our goal in the coming months to continue to utilize film, media coverage and local resources to engage all of our teenagers in this discussion.



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April Date To Remember

- April 21 –Yom Ha Shoah pre-session for HS students and their families, 5:15pm, followed by 6:00pm service.

Early Childhood Center

April Dates To Remember

- April 5-16 – School Closed for Passover
- April 29 –E.C.C. Spring Benefit (Reservations required)

Contributions

Bikur Cholim

Joan & Howard Goldberg, in honor of the birth of their grandson, Jordan Max Goldberg.
Joan & Howard Goldberg, in honor of the marriage of their son, Andrew, to Lauren May.
Jane & David Revasch, in memory of Susan Wasserman.
Ms. Irene Sommerfeld, in memory of her beloved father, Herman Sommerfeld.
Tammy & Steven Weinfeld, in memory of Ann Rizzi.
Dr. Barbara Weinstein, in memory of her beloved father, Murray Jack Weinstein.

Vivian Finkel Education Fund

Vivian & Milton Finkel, in honor of Jennifer Haber's *Bat Mitzvah*.
Vivian & Milton Finkel, in honor of Bill Sherman on his birthday.

Hesed Fund

Mrs. Carol J. Antler, in honor of the *Yahrzeit* of Frederick Rothstein.

High School Fund

Roxana & Robert Tetenbaum, in honor of the one-year anniversary of Michele Tetenbaum's becoming a *Bat Mitzvah*.
Roxana & Robert Tetenbaum, in honor of his birthday.
Roxana & Robert Tetenbaum, in memory of her beloved father, Joseph Sobie.

High School Food Pantry

Ms. Albertine Aboody.
Mr. Louis B. Bernstein & Dr. Barbara Weinstein, in honor of their anniversary.
Vivian & Daniel Bernstein, in memory of Irving Savits, father of Cheri Friedman.
Vivian & Daniel Bernstein, in memory of Dr. Simon Nagler, father of Dr. Harris Nagler.
Ann & Mal Eisenberg, in memory of Vicki Wimpfheimer.
Herta & Ernest Gottschalk, in honor of Anita Gluck on her birthday.
Dr. Roslyn A. Haber, in honor of Roslyn and Jennifer Haber's birthdays.
Laurie & Maury Harris, in honor of Amy & Bob Bressman's 25th anniversary and his 50th birthday.
Laurie & Maury Harris, in memory of Ephram Lionel Barnard.
Laurie & Maury Harris, in memory of Irving A. Savits.
Laurie & Maury Harris, in memory of Jean Fraier Leich.
Laurie & Maury Harris, in memory of Dr. Simon Nagler.
Dr. & Mrs. Samuel Katz.
Mitchell & Joyce Krasnoff, in memory of their beloved sister, Sarah Ehrenberg.
Jane & Stanley Kreinik, in honor of Anita Gluck on her birthday.
Mrs. Dorothy Lang, in memory of her beloved husband, Joseph Lang.
Elise B. Levin and Laurie & Maury Harris, in memory of Elliott E. Levin.
Lauren B. Nagler, in honor of Anita Gluck's birthday.
Dr. Jacob Oberman, in honor of Anita Gluck's birthday.

Mrs. Selma Weintraub, in honor of Anita Gluck's birthday.
Roberta & Eugene Zinbarg, in honor of Anita Gluck's birthday.

Liturgical Music Fund

Tammy & Steven Weinfeld, in memory of Ellen Hochman.

Albert & Rachel Murad Memorial Scholarship Fund

Dr. Howard Murad, in memory of Laura Moore

Prayer Book Fund

Matilda & Manfred Brust, in memory of Susan Wasserman.
Mrs. Harriet Feiwel, in memory of her beloved mother, Libby Rich.
Mrs. Mimi Goldfinger, in memory of her beloved father, George S. Livingston.
Herta & Ernest Gottschalk, in honor of Liya Eidy, for her many kindnesses.
Melanie Schneider, in memory of Susan Wasserman, the 115th prayerbook is for you.
Dana, Howard & Drew Siskin, in honor of Doris Siskin's 65th birthday.
Ms. Vera Wolff Sullivan, in memory of Susan Wasserman, who was a blessing in my life.
Jacqueline & Bob Willens, in memory of Charles Fell.

David J. Putterman Music Fund

Ann & Mal Eisenberg, in memory of Susan Wasserman.

Kalman Selig Book Fund

Mrs. Martha Selig, in memory of her beloved husband, Kalman Selig.

Welfare Fund

Mrs. Patricia Fuchs, in memory of her beloved aunt, Estelle Kratka.

Synagogue Offerings

Dr. Herbert Abrams, in memory of his beloved father, Harold Abrams.
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Adler, in honor of their anniversary.
Dr. Jean Pakter Bachman, in memory of her beloved brother, Louis Pakter.
Mr. Milton Berlinski, in memory of his beloved mother, Soibel Sabena Berlinski.
Mrs. Florence Bernstein, in memory of her beloved mother-in-law, Anna Bernstein.
Mr. Morris E. Biederman, in memory of his beloved mother, Anna Y. Biederman.
Ms. Mindy Birnbaum, in memory of her beloved father, Stanley Birnbaum.
Mr. David Brand, in memory of his beloved father, Maurice Brand.
Dr. & Dr. Manfred Brust, in honor of their anniversary.
Mr. H. Paul Burak, in memory of his beloved brother, George Peter Burak.
Mr. H. Paul Burak, in memory of his beloved mother, Bette Burak.
Esta & Wally Chavkin, in memory of Joseph Coplan, father of Dr. Neil Coplan.
Mr. Alan Cohen, in memory of his beloved mother, Ida Cohen.
Mrs. Fannie Cohen, in memory of her beloved husband, Samuel Cohen.
Mr. Robert G. Cohen, in memory of his

beloved father, Philip Cohen.
Mr. & Mrs. David C. Cook.
Mrs. Barbara Delgado, in memory of her beloved father, Morris Brownstein.
Dr. Juliet Demb, in memory of her beloved sister, Blanche Rubin.
Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Drachman, in memory of their beloved son, Mark Drachman.
Mrs. Rhoda Elkie, in memory of her beloved mother, Pauline Stopnik.
Mr. Brian Friedman, in memory of his beloved father, Samuel Friedman.
Dr. Herbert Frommer, in memory of his beloved father, Benjamin Frommer.
Mr. Milton Fuchs, in memory of his beloved father, Samuel Fuchs.
Mrs. Ruth Fuhrman, in memory of Ann Leichtling's sister, Sarah Ehrenberg.
Mrs. Gail Furman, in memory of her beloved mother, Deborah Babus Gorin.
Mr. Clifford S. Gelb, in memory of his beloved father, Al Gelb.
Ms. Elaine Gilde, in memory of her beloved mother, Rena Gilde.
Mrs. Martha Gold, in memory of her beloved husband, Samuel M. Gold.
Myrna & Edward Goldberg, in honor of the *Bar Mitzvah* of Benjamin Greene.
Mrs. Mary Goldman, in memory of her beloved father, Hyman Gilbert.
Mr. Abraham Goll, in memory of his beloved mother, Marcia Goll.
Mrs. Elsie Z. Goll, in memory of her beloved mother, Rose Leviton.
Mrs. Elsie Z. Goll, in memory of her beloved sister, Rema Goldsmith.
Linda Grad, in memory of Dr. Simon Nagler.
Mr. Charles H. Greenberg, in memory of his beloved father, Herman Greenberg.
Laurie & Maury Harris, in memory of Susan Wasserman.
Dr. Basil Hyman, in memory of his beloved father, Abraham Hyman.
Dr. Basil Hyman, in memory of his beloved mother, Mattie Hyman.
Mrs. Carol Hyman, in memory of Seymour Schechter.
Mrs. Carol Hyman, in memory of her beloved father, Martin Davis.
Mr. Dennis M. Karr, in memory of his beloved father, Carlyle C. Karr.
Dr. & Mrs. Samuel Katz, in honor of their anniversary.
Mrs. Gladys B. Kessler, in memory of her beloved mother, Tilly Millian Bloomfield.
Dr. Daniel Klein.
Mrs. Janet Kramer, in memory of her beloved father, Irving Rosenfeld.
Mrs. Jane Kreinik, in memory of her beloved mother, Jeanette Berman.
Mrs. Florence Lapidus, in memory of her beloved mother, Anna Schmerzler.
Mr. Harold Levine & Ms. Lori Levinson, in honor of their anniversary.
Mr. Paul Levine, in honor of his birthday.
Mr. Andrew Liebhaver, in memory of his beloved father, Sheldon Liebhaver.
Dr. Sylvia Liff, in memory of her beloved father, Isidore Barchenko.
Dr. Ann Lyons, in memory of her beloved mother, Gussie Moskowitz.
Mrs. Rita Matthews, in memory of her beloved father, Rabbi Sol Rolnick.
Mrs. Lisa Miller, in memory of her beloved father, Sidney Applebaum.
Mrs. Janet Moss, in memory of her beloved nephew, Alan Hamburger.
Mrs. Violet Murad, in honor of her birthday.

Mr. & Mrs. Gary Nachman, in honor of their anniversary.
Mr. Herbert Nadler, in memory of his beloved father, Jack Nadler.
Mr. Stanley Nasberg, in memory of his beloved mother, Myra Nasberg.
Mrs. Ruth Nearenberg, in honor of her birthday.
Ms. Rise B. Norman, in honor of her birthday.
Dr. Jacob L. Oberman, in memory of his beloved father, Isaac Oberman.
Mr. Julius Paige, in memory of his beloved father, Jake Pogrebinsky.
Dr. Barbara Paris, in memory of her beloved mother, Rose Cammer.
Mr. Peter Paris & Dr. Barbara Paris, in honor of their anniversary.
Dr. Morris M. Podolsky & Laurie Ferber Podolsky, in honor of their anniversary.
Mr. Robert Price, in memory of his beloved mother, Frances Price.
Mrs. Madeleine Redlich, in honor of her birthday.
Mrs. Sandra Rosen, in memory of her beloved father, Morris Frank Ratzkin.
Mrs. Phyllis Rosenberg, in honor of her birthday.
Ms. Ruth Rothseid, in memory of her beloved father, Albert Rothseid.
Mr. Richard Samuels, in memory of his beloved father, Jerome Samuels.
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Joan & Paul Schreiber, in memory of Dr. Simon Nagler, father of Dr. Harris M. Nagler.
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Mr. Joel Silver, in memory of his beloved mother, Fannie Silver.
Dr. & Mrs. Martin Spergel, in honor of their anniversary.
Mrs. Sally Stein, in memory of Mrs. Ruth Schafer.
Mrs. Ina Stern, in memory of her beloved mother, Rhea Rosenthal.
Mrs. Jutta Tannhauser, in honor of her birthday.
Mrs. Roxana Tetenbaum, in memory of her beloved father, Joseph Sobie.
Mrs. Nancy Treiger, in memory of her beloved aunt, Betty Rosenfeld.
Mrs. Nancy Treiger, in memory of her beloved father, Martin Davis.
Merryl & Bill Wallerstein, in memory of Ellen Hochman.
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Mr. Howard A. Weiner, in memory of his beloved mother-in-law, Estelle Lifton.
Ms. Irene Winkelman, in memory of her beloved mother, Gussie G. Winkelman.
Mrs. Ellen Yuder, in memory of her beloved father, Larry Davidman.
Mrs. Laure Zacharias, in memory of her beloved father, Arthur Zivy.
Ms. Penny S. Zorn, in memory of her beloved mother, Fay D. Shapiro.

Tikkun Olam Committee for Community Outreach

Dr. Katherina Grunfeld and Lite Sabin, in memory of Susan Wasserman, a beloved committee member.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS for APRIL 2004

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
THE EDMOND DE ROTHSCHILD LIBRARY Schedule of Hours: Mondays 2:30 pm to 6:00 pm Tuesdays 2:30 am to 3:45 pm Wednesdays 2:30 pm to 4:15 pm Thursdays 2:30 pm to 6:00 pm		REMEMBER THE DAILY MINYANIM Monday - Friday at 7:15 am Sundays and Legal Holidays at 9 am Sunday - Thursday at 5:45 pm Saturday afternoons at 6:00 pm		1 11:00 am Lunch 'n' Learn 2:30 pm Congregational School Seder	2 6:15 pm Friday Evening Service 6:02 pm Light Candles	3 7:30 am Hashkama Service 9:15 am Sanctuary Service 9:30 am - Havurah Service 10:00 am Beit Midrash 10:00 am Shabbat B'yachad 11:00 am Nitzanim Shabbat Service 11:15 am Tot Shabbat Service
4 HS Project Ezra Food Deliveries	5 7:15 am Siyum for the First Born 5:45 pm Passover Service 6:30 pm First Seder (Reservations required)	6 Passover (1st Day) 9:15 am Passover Service 7:15 pm Passover Service 8:00 pm Second Seder (Reservations required)	7 Passover (2nd Day) 9:15 am Passover Service	8 Hol H'Moed Passover (1st Day)	9 Hol H'Moed Passover 2nd Day) 6:15 pm Friday Evening Service 6:10 pm Light Candles	10 Hol H'Moed Passover (3rd Day) Food Pantry Shabbat 7:30 am Hashkama Service 9:15 am Sanctuary Service
11 Hol H'Moed Passover (4th Day)	12 Passover (7th Day) 9:15 am Passover Service 5:45 pm Passover Service	13 Passover (8th Day) 9:15 am Passover Service with Yizkor	14 10:00 am Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class	15 11:00 am Lunch 'n' Learn 4:00 pm Bereavement Group 7:00 pm Officers' Meeting 8:15 pm Board of Trustees' Meeting	16 6:15 pm April Children's Birthday & Rinah U'Tefilah Service 7:00 pm Minyan Ma'a lot 6:17 pm Light Candles	17 7:30 am Hashkama Service 9:15 am Sanctuary Service B'nai Mitzvah of Harley Dalton & Jeremy Dalton 9:30 Havurah Service 10:00 am Junior Congregation 11:00 am Nitzanim Shabbat Service 11:15 am Tot Shabbat Service 11:30 am HS Shabbat Service
18 Yom HaShoah 11:00 am Men's Club Museum Tour	19 7:00 pm Israel in Song 7:00 pm WEG Open Meeting-Sisters of the Resistance film	20 8:00 am Talmud Study w/ Rabbi Lincoln 11:00 am Tuesday Topics w/ Rabbi Stern 1:00 pm Sisterhood Museum Visit 7:15 pm Immersion & Conversion w/ Rabbi Posner	21 10:00 am Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class 5:15 pm Yom HaShoah HS pre-session 6:00 pm Yom HaShoah Sanctuary Service 7:30 pm Young Couples Group	22 11:00 am Lunch 'n' Learn 8:00 pm Parsha Class	23 6:15 pm Men's Club Shabbat Service & Dinner - Ami Ayalon, speaker 6:24 pm Light Chandles	24 7:30 am Hashkama Service 9:15 am Annual Sanctuary Music Service - Bar Mitzvah of Scott Wolitzer 10:00 am Junior Congregation 11:00 am Nitzanim Shabbat Service 11:30 am HS Shabbat Service
25 Yom Hazikaron 10:00 am Biblical Musical Instruments	26 Yom Ha'atzmaut 7:30 pm WEG Board Meeting	27 8:00 am Talmud Study w/ Rabbi Lincoln 11:00 am Tuesday Topics w/ Rabbi Stern 7:15 pm Immersion & Conversion w/Rabbi Posner 8:00 pm Rabbi of the Year Award Reception for Rabbi Lincoln	28 10:00 am Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class 7:00 pm B'nai Mitzvah meeting for Hay parents	29 11:00 am Lunch 'n' Learn 7:00 pm ECC Spring Benefit	30 6:15 pm Friday Evening Service 6:32 pm Light Candles	

Listings are accurate as of March 4, 2004. Dates & times are subject to change. Please check with the Synagogue office to confirm calendar information.

A Look Ahead

Israel Independence Day Congregation-Wide Yom HaAtzmaut Performance and Party

Sunday, May 2, 4:00 pm

Featuring the Tzofim, a singing troupe from Israel comprised of Israel's most talented high school youth. Join us as we cele-

brate Israel's 56th anniversary with this remarkable group of Israeli teenage performers.

Israeli Consul General To Speak

**Saturday morning Shabbat Service,
May 8, 9:15 am**

Don't miss Alon Pinkas, Consul General of the Israeli Government, who will speak at the *Shabbat Morning Sanctuary*

Service. This is the third in a series of Men's Club programs devoted to the year-long theme of *Israel This Year*.

WEG Erev Shabbat Service and Dinner

Friday, May 14, 6:15 pm

Hold the date for a beautiful *Shabbat* service followed by a congregational dinner sponsored by WEG. Please contact the P.A.S. office to participate in leading *tefilot*.

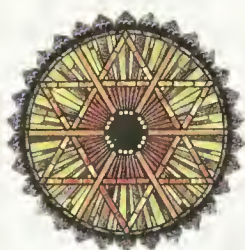
Young Couples Group

**Monday, May 17,
7:45 pm**

Plan to join us for a stimulating discussion led by Rabbi Kenneth Stern at the home of Andres and Suzette Rubinstein.

Bikur Cholim Caring Committee

The Park Avenue Synagogue *Bikur Cholim* Caring Committee reaches out in complete confidence to the ill, elderly and homebound in friendship and companionship through telephone calls and/or visits. If you would like to be contacted by one of its caring, dedicated volunteers, or know someone who might benefit from the committee's attention, please contact Rabbi Lincoln's secretary, Liya, at (212) 369-2600.



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